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REQUEST

Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the holding of abandonment of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/650,123, filed August 28, 2003, because the application is in fact not abandoned.

FACTS PERTINENT TO REQUEST

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) issued a Notice of Abandonment on September 19, 2006 for above-identified application. The Notice states that the present application stands abandoned "for failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on 10 September 2003." Applicants assume that listing the

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mailing date of September 10, 2003 of an Office letter was an inadvertent typographical error because according to Applicants' records and the file history in PAIR, the PTO database (*see* Image File Wrapper), no Office Action issued on that date. In fact, the PTO issued an Office Action on March 10, 2006, for which the statutory period for reply was set to expire on September 10, 2006.

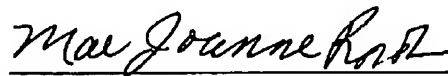
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Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Notice of Abandonment be withdrawn so that prosecution of the present application may continue.

Applicants believe that a fee is not required for consideration of this Petition; however, the Director is authorized to charge any fee due by way of this Petition to our Deposit Account No. 19-1090.

Respectfully submitted,

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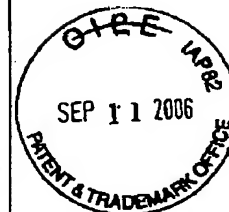
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